Roger Longacre

Roger Duane Longacre, 64, of Benton Harbor went to see his Lord and Savior on Sunday, Nov. 2, 2014. He lost his courageous battle with cancer after almost 13 years. He was a fighter and fought as long and as hard as he could.

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Roger was born April 8, 1950, to Dale and Ebba (Erickson) Longacre in Benton Harbor. He was the bar manager at The Mark III for several years before he became the receiving manager at Resistance Welding.

Roger leaves behind his wife, Carolyn Smith; sisters: Shirley Vachon of Delaware, Ohio; Marlene (Richard) Schalon of St. Jospeh; Sandra (Michael) Hettig of Benton Harbor; Diane Ruth of St. Joseph; and Laura (Rodney) Mayes of Tulsa, Okla.; brother, Dale Jr. (Kay) Longacre of Galien; mother-in-law, Merrie Rohm of St. Joseph; father-in-law, Russell (Retha) Smith of Bellaire, Mich.; brothers-in-law, Craig (Kathy) Smith of Walker, La; and Eric Smith of Ferndale, Mich.; sister-in-law, Angie (Steve) Robinette of Kentwood, Mich.; and numerous nieces and nephews whom he adored.

Roger was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Joanne McGrath; and his brother and sister-in-law, David (Sharon) Longacre.

Per Roger's wishes, cremation has taken place and a private gathering for family and close friends will be Wednesday, Nov. 5, at Saron Lutheran Church in St. Joseph. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan, Hospice at Home or Hanson Hospice Center. Friends wishing to sign Rogers's memory book online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.